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SUBJECT: AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN TO VISIT IVORY COAST

1. JAMES M. WOODS, SR., BOARD CHAIRMAN WOODS INDUSTRIES, COMPTON, CALIFORNIA, WILL HEAD LUMBER AND LOGGING INVESTMENT TEAM TO ABIDJAN MAY 22 FOR TWO- WEEK VISIT TO SURVEY INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES.
 2. WOODS AND SON, LEON O. WOODS, IN ABIDJAN RECENTLY IN CONNECTION WITH PLANS TO START LUMBER OPERATION. JAMES WOODS SENDING LETTER TO AMBASSADOR OUTLINING PURPOSES OF TRIP.
 3. ACCOMPANYING WOODS AND SON WILL BE LINUS NIEDERMEYER, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF NIEDERMEYER- MARTIN LUMBER COMPANY OF PORTLAND, OREGON; ROBERT CRAIG, CHAIRMAN OF CRAIG CORPORATION OF COMPTON, AND MRS. CRAIG; AND ORVILLE MURRAY, SALES MANAGER, CLARK EQUIPMENT, PORTLAND, OREGON. CRAIG CORPORATION IS ELECTRONIC FIRM INVOLVED IN JOINT VENTURES WITH WOODS INDUSTRIES. CLARK HANDLES HEAVY EQUIPMENT SALES AND LEASING.
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4. WOODS GROUP ARRIVING ABIDJAN MAY 22 VIA UTA 821 AT
7:25 P. M. THEY WILL STAY AT HOTEL IVOIRE.

5. WOODS SAID COMMERCIAL BRIEFINGS BEING ARRANGED BY
IVORIENS BUT HE REQUESTS EMBASSY PROVIDE TRANSLATOR AND
APPROPRIATE FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE.
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